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# **Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)**

Free Service for Nonprofits. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

# **Special Announcements**

#### **SAVE THE DATE** Learn How to Earn Online.

The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development and TouchDC.org will host a special session on how nonprofits can harness the power of the Internet to raise more money. TouchDC.org is a Web-based initiative of Washington Grantmakers where individual donors can have a safe and convenient way to donate funds online and find local volunteer opportunities. Did you know that individual donors gave more then 75% of total giving to nonprofits organizations? Be a part of that 75%. The session will be held on October 18, 2006, 9:30 a.m.-noon, One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, room 1107-N. For further information and to RSVP, call (202) 727-8900.

#### **REGISTER NOW** for the 2006 Public-Private

**Partnership Conference.** The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD), in partnership with Citibank, the Center for Nonprofit Advancement, and the Alliance for Nonprofit Management, will host its 8th Annual Public-Private Partnership conference—Moving Forward: Continued Commitment to Building Partnerships. Workshops will focus on writing proposals, managing grants, building partnerships, finding funding, and more. Attendees will be able to access an extensive exhibit hall for additional information. The all-day conference will be held at George Washington University's Marvin Center on October 30, 2006. For further information and to register, go to: www.regonline.com/104901; or contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900 or the Center for Nonprofit Advancement at (202) 457-0540.

## **Federal Opportunities**

**Culturally Appropriate Research to Prevent HIV Transmission and Infection in Young People** (R01). Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to develop theoretically grounded approaches to prevention of HIV infection and transmission in young people based upon a broad definition of culture. At minimum this involves knowledge of the norms, beliefs and values of youth in varied contexts, and an appreciation of culture as dynamic. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations. The deadline for applications is December 22, 2006. Approximately \$1,200,000 is



available. For further information, contact NIH OER Webmaster at FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV; or go to: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfafiles/RFA-NR-07-003.html. GrantID: GD1517

### **Culturally Appropriate Research to Prevent HIV** Transmission and Infection in Young People (R2).

Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to develop theoretically grounded approaches to prevention of HIV infection and transmission in young people based upon a broad definition of culture. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, private institutions of higher education, for-profit organizations, nonprofits, faith-based, and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is December 22, 2006. Approximately \$600,000 is available to fund 3 awards up to \$200,000. For further information, contact NIH OER Webmaster at FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV: or go to: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfafiles/RFA-NR-07-002.html. GrantID: GD1518

**Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects** and Centers Program. Department of Education announces funds to provide research training and experience at an advanced level to individuals with doctorates or similar advanced degrees who have clinical or other relevant experience. The Advanced Rehabilitation Research Training Projects train rehabilitation researchers, including individuals with disabilities, with particular attention to research areas that support the implementation and objectives of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (Act), and that improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Act. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is November 20, 2006. Approximately \$900,000 is available to fund 6 awards up to \$150,000. For further information, contact Donna Nangle at (202) 245-7462 or donna.nangle@ed.gov; or go to: http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=1098 0&mode=VIEW. GrantID: GD1519

**Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program**. Department of Health and Human

Services announces funds to: 1) support the development of family-centered, community-based initiatives that plan and implement innovative and cost-effective approaches for focusing resources to promote community defined preventive child health and developmental objectives for vulnerable children and their families, especially those with limited access to quality health services; 2) foster/promote collaboration among community organizations, individuals, agencies, businesses, and families; 3) involve pediatricians and other pediatric health professionals in community-based service programs; and 4) build community and statewide partnerships among professionals in health, education, social services, government, and business to achieve selfsustaining programs to assure healthy children and families. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, state governments, nonprofits, faith-based, and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is October 20, 2006. Approximately \$600,000 is available to fund 12 awards up to \$50,000. A match is required. For further information, contact HRSA Call Center at callcenter@hrsa.gov; or go to: https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/FundingOppDeta ils.asp?FundingCycleId=BDC7C277-9B24-49A8-ADBB-521CC21CF086&ViewMode=EU&GoB.

GrantID: GD1503

Historically Black Colleges and Universities-Undergraduate Program (HBCU-UP). National Science Foundation announces funds to enhance the quality of undergraduate science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education and research at HBCU as a means to broaden participation in the Nation's STEM workforce. Support is available for Implementation Projects, Planning Grants, Education Research Projects, and Targeted Infusion Projects. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is December 15, 2006. Approximately \$7,000,000 is available to fund 17 awards. For further information, contact Grants.gov Support at grantsgovsupport@nsf.gov; or go to: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub\_summ.jsp?ods key=nsf06606. GrantID: GD1511



#### Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Program.

Department of Housing and Urban Development announces funds targeted for urban jurisdictions with the highest lead-based paint hazard control needs and to assist states and local governments in undertaking comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazard in eligible privately-owned housing for rental or owner-occupants. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, state governments, nonprofits, and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2006. For further information, contact Dorthera Yorkshire at (202) 708-0667 or dorthera\_yorkshire@hud.gov; or go to: http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=10956&mode=VIEW. GrantID: GD1504

#### **Support American Art in Classroom Program.**

National Endowment for the Humanities announces funds to provide exposure to American art in K-12 public schools, private or charter schools, and resource centers for home school consortia, as well as to create and support opportunities for discussion of aesthetic methods, art history, narrative technique, American history, and American literature. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is October 16, 2006. Approximately \$325,000 is available to fund 1 award. For further information, contact Barbara Bays at (202) 606-8290 or bbays@neh.gov; or go to: http://www.neh.gov/Grants/Guidelines/Art\_in\_the\_C lassroomRFP.html. GrantID: GD1502

**Uncertainty Analyses of Models in Integrated Environmental Assessments.** *Environmental* 

Protection Agency announces funds for interdisciplinary research in the formal treatment of uncertainty when models are used to conduct integrated environmental assessments. Integrated assessments use findings, data, and methods across different disciplines to generate information about a particular issue. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is December 13, 2006.

Approximately \$1,000,000 is available to fund 3 awards up to \$350,000. For further information, contact Pasky Pascual at (202) 343-9710 or <a href="mailto:pascual.pasky@epa.gov">pascual.pasky@epa.gov</a>; or go to: <a href="http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2006/2006\_star\_uncertainty.html">http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2006/2006\_star\_uncertainty.html</a>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372. Please go to <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, Select "State Single Point of Contact" to comply. GrantID: GD1510

## **District Opportunities**

**AmeriCorps Grants**. *Serve DC* announces funds to help mobilize residents as volunteers and AmeriCorps members to: 1) to become more civically engaged in their communities; 2) include persons with disabilities; and 3) be prepared in the event of an emergency or disaster. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 30, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. Approximately \$500,000 is available. The RFA will be released on October 16, 2006, and may be obtained from 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 1140-N, Washington, DC 20001; or go to: www.serve.dc.gov. Serve DC will host several Technical Assistance Sessions on the following dates: October 25, 2006, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.; November 1, 2006, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.; November 8, 2006, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.; and November 18, 2006, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. at locations TBA. For location and to RSVP, contact Lawanda Pelzer at (202) 727-7925. For further information, contact John Savage at (202) 727-7925 or servedc1@dc.gov; or go to: http://www.opgd.dc.gov. GrantID: GD1501

#### FY 2007 Grant-in-Aid Historic Preservation

Fund. Office of Planning announces funds for historic preservation survey and planning related program activities, which include: survey/inventory, preservation planning, historic resource registration/nomination, public education/outreach, and resource development/restoration. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, public and private institutions of higher education, and individuals. The deadline for applications is November 17, 2006, at 4:00 p.m. A match is required. The RFA may be obtained from the DC Historic Preservation Office at 801 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 3000, Washington, DC 20002. For further information, contact DC Historic Preservation



Office at (202) 741-5246; or go to: http://www.opgd.dc.gov. GrantID: GD1509

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

Department of Human Services, Early Readers Now, September 28, 2006, at 3:30 p.m. Questions & Answers from September 1, 2006, Pre-Application Conference are posted.

Office of the Secretary, Escheated Estates Fund, September 29, and December 28, 2006.

Department of Human Services, Emergency Rental Assistance Program, October 15, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Office of Victim, Victim Assistance Fund, October 17, 2006, at 12:01 p.m.

**REVISED.** Department of Health, FY 2007 Ryan White Title I EMA-Wide Grant, October 17, 2006.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (ODMPED), Neighborhood Grants Program (NGP), November 1, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.

Serve DC, K-12 Learn and Serve America School-Based Grants, November 17, 2006, at 12:00 p.m.

Department of Housing and Community
Development, Community Development Block Grant
(CDBG), Home Investment Partnerships (HOME),
Housing Production Trust Fund (HPTF), and the Low
Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), November
17, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

## **Foundation Opportunities**

**2007 Youth Garden Grants**. *The National Gardening Association* announces funds to support

programs that actively engage kids in the garden and improve the quality of life for all. Priority will be given to programs that emphasize one or more of the following elements: educational focus or curricular/program integration; nutrition or plant-to-food connections; environmental awareness/education; entrepreneurship; and social aspects of gardening such as leadership development, team building, community support, or service-learning. Eligible applicants include independent school districts, nonprofits, faith-based, and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is November 1, 2006. Approximately 200 awards up to \$250 are available. For further information, go to:

http://www.kidsgardening.com/YGG.asp.

GrantID: GD1507

Art Projects. The Puffin Foundation announces funds for supporting creative and innovative initiatives that will advance progressive social change. Grants are intended to encourage emerging artists in the fields of art, music, theater, dance, photography, and literature. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is December 15, 2006. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.puffinfoundation.org/">http://www.puffinfoundation.org/</a>. GrantID: GD1505

Children and Adolescents. DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (Trust) announces funds to develop a "system of care" within DC. Systems of care are developed on the premise that the mental health needs of children, adolescents, and their families can be met within their home, school, and community environments. The Trust will provide funds in five categories: 1) Training and Social Marketing; 2) Delivery of Outreach and Support Services; 3) Family Centered Advocacy; 4) Flexible funds to implement individualized youth/family plans; and 5) Family Meeting Orientation, Coordination, and Outcome Tracking Activities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is October 19, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. The Trust will host two Bidders' Conferences on the following dates: October 2, 2006, 10:00 a.m.-noon, Perry School Community Center, Inc., 128 M Street, NW; and October 16, 2006, 10:00 a.m.-noon, THE ARC, 1901 Mississippi Avenue, SE. For further information, go to: www.cyitc.org. GrantID: GD1514



Human Nutrition Programs. The Allen Foundation supports projects that benefit programs for human nutrition in the areas of health, education, training, and research. The Foundation gives preference to proposals that train children and young adults to improve their health and development or that educate mothers during pregnancy and after the birth of their children in order to foster good nutritional habits at an early age. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is December 31, 2006. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.allenfoundation.org/">http://www.allenfoundation.org/</a>. GrantID: GD1506

Media Grants. The John S. and James L. Knight Foundation is seeking new ideas, pilot projects, commercial products and leadership initiatives that will improve the flow of information and news in the public interest. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and individuals. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2006. Approximately \$5,000,000 is available. For further information, contact The Knight Foundation at <a href="mailto:newschallenge@knightfdn.org">newschallenge@knightfdn.org</a>; or go to: <a href="http://www2.knightfdn.org/newschallenge/home.html">http://www2.knightfdn.org/newschallenge/home.html</a> #home. GrantID: GD1515

New Voices Community News Ventures. J-Lab announces funds to seed innovative community news ventures and help fund the start-up of micro-local news projects. Successful applicants will benefit a defined geographic or special-interest community and foster an open exchange of journalistically sound ideas, information, news, and opinion in those communities. Funding is available for print or electronic news initiatives, including online, cable, broadcast, narrowcast, satellite, and mobile efforts. Eligible applicants include independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, private institutions of higher education, nonprofits, and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is February 12, 2007. Approximately 10 awards up to \$12,000 are available. For further information, go to: http://www.j-newvoices.org/. GrantID: GD1508

**Soccer Support**. *U. S. Soccer Foundation* announces funds to support the entire spectrum of soccer communities in the U.S. The foundation will award grants to projects and programs that develop players, coaches, and referees in economically disadvantaged urban areas. Eligible applicants include nonprofit

organizations, individuals, and for-profit organizations. The deadline for applications is November 22, 2006. For further information, contact U.S. Soccer Foundation at <a href="mailto:grants@ussoccerfoundation.org">grants@ussoccerfoundation.org</a>; or go to: <a href="http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org/site/c.gpLPJQOpHkE/b.1301247/k.676E/Annual Grants Application.htm">http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org/site/c.gpLPJQOpHkE/b.1301247/k.676E/Annual Grants Application.htm</a>. GrantID: GD1513

Youth Baseball and Softball Programs. Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association announce funds to promote and enhance the growth of youth participation in baseball and softball around the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, uniforms, and equipment. Grants are intended to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is October 1, 2006. For further information, go to: <a href="http://mlb.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/mlb/official\_info/community/btf.jsp">http://mlb.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/mlb/official\_info/community/btf.jsp</a>. GrantID: GD1512

## **Resources & Announcements**

**2007** AmeriCorps\*State Funding Competition Reviewers. Serve DC is seeking individuals to review grant proposals for available AmeriCorps\*State funds. This is an excellent opportunity to network with colleagues in the national service world, learn more about the grant-making process, develop your own grant-writing skills, learn about exciting things happening in national service programs, and contribute your knowledge and experience to Serve DC's efforts to select high-quality programs for funding. To apply, please forward your resume to: John Savage, AmeriCorps Program Officer, Serve DC, 441 4th Street, Suite 1140N, Washington, DC 20001; or servedc1@dc.gov; or call (202) 727-7925.

**2007** Learn and Serve America School-Based Funding Competition Reviewers. Serve DC is seeking individuals to review grant proposals for the Learn and Serve America School-Based funding competition. This is an excellent opportunity to network with colleagues in the national service and education fields, learn more about the grant-making process, develop your own grant-writing skills, learn



about exciting initiatives happening in local schools, and contribute your knowledge and experience to Serve DC's efforts to select high-quality service-learning programs for Learn and Serve America funding. To apply, please forward your resume to: Kristen Henry, Learn and Serve Coordinator, Serve DC, 441 4th Street, Suite 1140N, Washington, DC 20001; or <a href="mailto:kristen.henry@dc.gov">kristen.henry@dc.gov</a>; or call (202) 727-8003.

Nonprofits and the Fine Art of Lobbying. National Community Reinvestment Coalition (NCRC) and the Center for Lobbying in the Public Interest will host an informational workshop on lobbying for the nonprofit. Nonprofit organizations are one of the most effective vehicles for engaging people in the democratic process. Lobbying is an important activity that nonprofits can undertake to achieve their missions and foster democracy, and it is an effective tool for nonprofits to create better schools, affordable housing or accessible health care. The workshop will be held on September 28, 2006, at the Center for Lobbying in the Public Interest, 727 15th Street, NW, 8th Floor, Washington, DC. For further information and to RSVP, email trainingacademy@ncrc.org.

Nonprofit Leadership Issues Report. "Daring to Lead 2006: A National Study of Nonprofit Executive Leadership" is a comprehensive national report on executive leadership at community-based nonprofits. Based on nearly 2,000 surveys from eight metropolitan areas, the report provides current data on executive turnover, compensation, career plans, and retirement. It also explores leading causes of executive burnout, in particular, widespread frustration with boards of directors and funders. The skills that community-based executives most want and need to build along with the professional development strategies that they employ are also identified. The report concludes with helpful recommendations to executives, boards, funders, and capacity builders. To download a free copy, go to: http://www.compasspoint.org/daringtolead2006.

## **Previous Announcements**

**2006** Accessible America Competition. *The National Organization on Disability* announces their sixth annual awards competition, open to all U.S. cities and towns. Entrants will showcase how their citizens with disabilities are participating in and

contributing to local community life. To enter the competition, a community must submit an official Accessible America application signed by the mayor or chief elected official, describing how the city or town provides opportunities for citizens with disabilities to participate fully in community life. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2006. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.nod.org/">http://www.nod.org/</a>.

Activists of Color Award. The Alston/Bannerman Fellowship Program is committed to advancing progressive social change by helping to sustain longtime activists of color. The program honors those who have devoted their lives to helping their communities organize for racial, social, economic, and environmental justice, and provides resources for organizers to take sabbaticals for reflection and renewal. The program seeks applicants whose work attacks root causes of injustice by organizing those affected to take collective action; challenges the systems that perpetrate injustice and effects institutional change; builds their community's capacity for self-determination and develops grassroots leadership; acknowledges the cultural values of the community; creates accountable participatory structures in which community members have decision-making power; and contributes to building a movement for social change by making connections between issues, developing alliances with other constituencies, and collaborating with other organizations. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2006. The award is approximately \$15,000. For further information, go to: http://www.alstonbannerman.org/.

Children Serving Their Communities. The Angel Soft Angels in Action Program recognizes children ages 8-18 who have executed exemplary acts of service to benefit their community, a charity, or cause. The deadline date for nominations is October 1, 2006. Nominators who are 18 years or older may submit an essay of 200 words or less about the nominee's service accomplishments. The most outstanding service project will be named Program of the Year with the winner receiving \$15,000. Two Grand Prizes of \$10,000 and five First Prizes of \$1,000 will also be awarded. Along with cash awards, the Program of the Year winner and both Grand Prize winners will receive a trip for two to Walt Disney World. For further information, go to:



http://www.angelsoft.com/angelsinaction/awardsprogram2006.asp.

Disaster Recovery & Information Technology: Proactive Preparedness & Planning for

**Nonprofits.** NPower Greater DC Region has partnered with the Nonprofit Roundtable to host a free interactive workshop for nonprofits to learn the process for developing a business continuity and emergency preparedness plan. Explore how simple technology tools can play an essential role managing and implementing a plan, and learn about additional resources to assist organizations are available. All workshop attendees will have the opportunity to apply for a FREE disaster recovery follow-up assessment conducted by NPower technology consultants. The workshop will be held on October 13, 2006, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., at The Aspen Institute, One Dupont Circle, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036. For further information and to RSVP, contact NPower at (202) 234-9670.

Education. National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) announces funds to support teachers by paying a portion of their certification fee. Subsidy funds are awarded on a first come, first served basis. Eligible applicants must meet NBPTS eligibility guidelines and submit a District of Columbia Application for Assessment Fee Support to the program administrator. The deadline for applications is December 31, 2006. Awards up to \$1,000 are available. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.nbpts.org/resources/state\_local\_information/District%20of%20Columbia">http://www.nbpts.org/resources/state\_local\_information/District%20of%20Columbia</a>.

**Learning Program Focuses on Meeting the Needs** of Working Families. Grantmakers for Children, Youth & Families (GCYF) is developing an ongoing learning process to help grantmakers explore the breadth and complexity of issues faced by families living in poverty, and the supports and strategies necessary to help them gain economic independence. The Working Families Learning Circle will explore three key issue areas: employment, education, and work; vulnerable populations; and cross-cutting issues. For each issue area, GCYF is planning learning events that will share in-depth information about the scope and nature of the problem and that will identify effective grantmaking strategies that can be leveraged to address the problems. For further information and to download an overview of the

program, go to:

http://www.gcyf.org/programs/programs\_show.htm?doc id=360530.

Nonprofit Training Series. The Enhanced Business Information Center (e-BIC), in partnership with Southeastern University's (SEU) Center for Entrepreneurship, will offer the following series of nonprofit workshops:

October 11, 2006, *Nonprofit Staff and Board*<u>Development</u>: helps participants understand the crucial role that boards play in a nonprofit organization; staff development will also be discussed;

November 8, 2006, <u>Nonprofit Strategic Planning:</u> covers the differences between strategic plans and business plans for nonprofit organizations; participants will also learn how to conduct SWOT and competitive analyses of their nonprofits; and

December 13, 2006, <u>Fundraising for Nonprofits</u>: will introduce fundraising planning and creating a standard grant format.

For times, locations, and other information, contact Katina Bolden at

(202) 727-2241 or <a href="mailto:katina.bolden@dc.gov">katina.bolden@dc.gov</a>; or go to: <a href="http://app.calendar.rrc.dc.gov/monthView.aspx?cdlC">http://app.calendar.rrc.dc.gov/monthView.aspx?cdlC</a> <a href="mailto:alendars=11">alendars=11</a>.

#### Presidential Award for Reading and Technology.

International Reading Association is accepting applications for the annual Presidential Award designed to honor educators in grades K-12 or equivalent who are making an outstanding and innovative contribution to the use of technology in reading education. Entrants must be educators who work directly with students ages 5-18 for all or part of the working day. Entries incorporating any brand of computers, operating systems, software applications, and other technologies such as TV or video are acceptable. The deadline for applications is November 15, 2006. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.reading.org">http://www.reading.org</a>; or <a href="http://www.plato.com">http://www.plato.com</a>.

Youth Volunteer Recognition. Prudential Financial and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, recognize middle and high school students for volunteer community service. Local Honorees are selected at participating schools and organizations from each state including DC. State



Honorees receive awards of \$1,000 and all-expensespaid trips DC. Ten National Honorees receive additional awards of \$5,000. The deadline for applications is October 31, 2006. For further information, go to:

http://www.prudential.com/overview2/0%2C2155%2 CintPageID%25253D8983%252526blnPrinterFriendl y%25253D0%2C00.html?furl=%2Fspirit

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